GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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REMOVAL OF JHUGGI CLUSTERS
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the plan of removing Jhuggi clusters in the Wazirpur area of Delhi has been cancelled;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the policy of the Government in this regard; and

(d) the estimated number of people living in Jhuggi clusters in Delhi and the details of alternative plans for their removal separately?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a)&(b): No, Sir.

(c)&(d): The Ministry of Railways have reported that there are about 25000 jhuggies on their land in Delhi.The Minister of Urban Development has advised Railways to deal with the problem in phases and in the first phase, to delineate the area which is required to be cleared on account of requirement of safety zones. This area has been earmarked and a joint survey by the officers of Railway and Slum Department is being conducted.Further action in the matter would be taken after survey has been completed and the magnitude of the problem assessed.